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CERCLIS Universe and Site Assessment

- Inventory of 45,000 sites since 1980
- Preliminary Assessment, first formal assessment
- Site Inspection, first sampling
- Additional Assessment, and HRS Evaluation
- Leaves Need for Priority setting among eligible sites

NPL Listing (cont.)

Priority Setting

- EPA/State Collaboration
 First Decade, EPA most influential
 Second Decade, growing State influence
 1995 to Present, formal State concurrence
- Collaborative NPL Listing in Practice
 - Priority for State: 1) EPA agrees2) EPA differs
 - Priority for EPA: 1) State concurs2) State doesn't
 - Tribal Priority 1) EPA and State agree
 2) EPA or State disagree

NPL Listing (cont.)

Basis of Current Priority Setting

- Practices in recent years
- < 1992 OSWER Directive
- < Perceived need for Response Action
- < Other Cleanup Programs
- Process Refinements under active consideration
- < Consideration of Other Programs
- < More formal Priority Setting
- < Others being considered

NPL Listing (cont.)

Key Issues for Consideration

- Approach to Priority Setting
- EPA/State/Tribal/Local-other roles
- Extent (\$) of Site Characterization before listing
- Listing in context of Superfund Pipeline Management
- Linkage of NPL/Superfund to Other Programs

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